the NER. The Government allocates funds from the NLCPR for infrastructure development in the NER.

- The North Eastern Council, a Statutory body, is allocated a budget for taking up projects of regional nature in the NER.
- The Government has notified the North East Industrial Investment & Promotion Policy (NEIIPP), 2007 for promoting industrial development in the Region.

Schemes of NEC and NLCPR

2665. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of schemes selected for implementation in different States in respect of NEC and NLCPR funds during the year 2006-07 and 2007-08;

(b) the number and details of these projects that have been provided with funds effectively;

(c) whether Government is aware that the progress of works in many cases is getting stalled for want of proper monitoring system; and

(d) if yes, the steps to be taken to clear the bottlenecks?

THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) and (b) The nemes of schemes and projects selected for implementation in different North Eastern States in respect of NEC and funds provided during the year 2006-07 and 2007-08 are enclosed at Annexure 'A' & 'B' respectively. [*See* Appendix 213 Annexure No. 10]. The names of the projects selected/sanctioned in different North Eastern States under NLCPR during 2006-07 and 2007-08 and funds released in these projects is available on this Ministry's website *www.mdoner.nic.in.*

(c) and (d) Schemes under NEC & NLCPR are being systematically monitored regularly with on going efforts to make the monitoring system as effective as possible and speed up the progress of works.

Expansion of various programmes in hilly areas

2666. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the programme of Government to encourage the States of the North-Eastern in bringing more hilly areas under the expansion of horticulture, tea plantation, rubber plantation etc. during the year 2006-07 and 2007-08.

(b) in what maner the NEC and NLCPR funds are going to support the State Governments in this mission and how far the achievements have been made so far; and

(c) if there has been no programmes as yet, whether steps would be taken in the line?

THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) to (c) The line Ministries of the Central Government and their

Organizations have taken up the following programmes for the development of horticulture, tea, rubber, etc. in the North-East Region:

- A Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Technology Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture is being implemented in the NE States from Ninth Plan onwards. During 2006-07, an amount of Rs. 164.73 crore was released to the NE States and an additional area of about 53578 ha was brought under horticulture crops. During 2007-08, an amount of Rs. 321.76 crore was released and the target for area expansion was 100232 ha.
- The Tea Board under its Plantation Development Scheme is providing 25% subsidy for bringing hilly areas under tea plantation. During 2006—08, an additional area of 1047.25 ha. was covered under the Scheme.
- The Rubber Board has implemented an integrated scheme for Rubber Development in the North Eastern States during 2006-07 and 2007-08. Major components of the scheme are new planting, replanting, etc. Financial and technical suport is provided for planting and maintenance of rubber till maturity. A special scheme for Block Rubber Planting is being implemented with the collaboration of the State Governments. The proposal is to cover 25000 ha. under new plantations in the Eleventh Plan with an outlay of Rs. 173.05 crore.
- The Spices Board, under its various schemes, has covered an area of 1475.57 ha. during 2006-07 and 2007-08.

As far as NEC and NLCPR funds are concerned, the primary emphasis is on upgrading the infrastructure. However, NEC has taken up some projects to promote the cultivation of mushroom and kiwi.

Receipt and disbursement of funds by CAMPA

2667. DR. KARAN SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of deposits collected till date in the special fund of Compensatory Afforestation Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA) since its constitution; and

(b) out of the total amount collected what is the amount spent by the Compensatory Afforestation Management and Planning Authority on protection, regeneration of forests and strengthening of infrastructure of national parks, sanctuaries, tiger and elephant reserves till date with their details, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) An amount of about Rs. 7,347.00 crores has been collected by the Ad-hoc CAMPA so far. As the Ad-hoc CAMPA has not been authorized by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India to release any funds to the States/Union Territories, nothing has been spent out of the fund so far.

Tiger protection

2668. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that States have failed to take adequate measures for tiger protection;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;